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A. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None to report.

B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. On 22 July, [redacted] met with [redacted] of NSA, who has been giving a course in Russian for ORR personnel. NSA will be forced to discontinue this course at the end of August, and LAS is planning to take over at that time.

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2. In a conversation on Monday with Mr. [redacted] of SIC, [redacted] indicated that LAS would be happy to offer the services of members of the Eastern Studies staff in the presentation of the area course on the USSR that SIC is planning for this fall.

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3. A number of copies of the Spoken Uzbek text and tapes, secured from the University of Indiana, have been reproduced. [redacted] and [redacted] will revise these materials, and a new edition will be issued in the future. LAS is therefore ready to begin the Uzbek course, as scheduled, on 30 September. This course will be the first in a language of Soviet Central Asia to be taught in Washington under Government auspices. Of the universities, only Indiana and Columbia have offered Uzbek.

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4. The Language Advisory Committee met and continued discussion of criteria for the 100-slot program, and examination and evaluation procedures for the out-of-hours language courses.

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5. The regular Polish Proficiency Test was given for one person on 18 July. Mr. [redacted] served on the oral panel.

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6. The Spanish test was given by special request for two people on 18 July. Mrs. [redacted] served on the oral panel.

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7. The French test was given by special request for two people on 18 July. Mrs. [redacted] served on the oral panel.

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8. The Korean test was given by special request for one person on 18 July and one person on 22 July. The oral part was given for two people on 22 July. Mr. [redacted] served on the panel.

C. PERSONNEL ITEMS

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[REDACTED] left OTR on 24 July.

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Mrs. [REDACTED] who has been a Japanese language drillmaster with LAS, will assist the Department of State until 1 September, after which she will return to LAS as a full-time contract employee.

Arrangements are in process for the full-time contract employment of [REDACTED]

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